GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:530
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BHUBANESWAR URBAN HAAT PROJECT
Satpathy Shri Tathagata

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bhubaneswar Urban Haat Project has been approved by the government;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the salient features of the project;

(c) the amount of financial assistance provided to the above project;

(d) whether the Government has planned to provide grants-in-aid to organize a Craft Bazar in the Haat premises; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which it can be useful for craftmen?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. An Urban Haat at Bhubneshwar was approved in the year 1998-99 and has since become operational. Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd, Bhubaneshwar is the Implementing Agency for setting up the said Haat. The Urban Haat aims to provide direct marketing facilities to the handicraft artisans and handloom weavers round the year.

(c): Out of the total sanctioned project cost of Rs.186.00 lakhs, the Government of India's share of Rs.126.13 lakhs has been released to the Implementing Agency.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. A proposal for organisation of craft bazaar has been received from Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd, Bhubaneshwar.

The organisation of craft Bazar helps in boosting the sale and income of artisans and weavers by providing direct marketing opportunity.